



The purpose of this document is to provide additional information for conducting screenings at practices and competitions. Screenings are only required if the location of the practice is Phase I or Phase 2 as outlined in the SOMO Return to Play Guidelines.

It is REQUIRED for all phases (1,2 and 3) to maintain a list of all those in attendance with their name, phone and/or email and practice/competition date, time and location. This information is necessary, SHOULD someone find out after attending a practice/competition they tested positive for COVID. It is the responsibility of the person (coach and/or staff member) organizing the practice/competition to be able to provide a list of ALL those in attendance (athletes, coaches, chaperones, family members/care givers and volunteers) so that they can be contacted and made aware that they MAY have been in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19. The local health department is going to ask for this information and you will be responsible for making contact with all those in attendance. **YOU SHOULD NOT DISCLOSE THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 – THIS IS TO REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL.**

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Remind all participants to that they MUST stay home, if they are sick or showing signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who has had COVID-19. They should be encouraged to contact their healthcare provider if they are feeling unwell.
- Before the start of any Special Olympics event/practice/training/competition (during Phases 1 and 2), a screening of all participants must be conducted to assess if anyone is showing signs or symptoms of COVID-19. All participants at an event, training, or practice, must be documented in case someone in attendance is diagnosed with COVID-19 and contact tracing is needed.

SCREENING PROTOCOL (FOR PHASES 1 & 2 OF THE SOMO RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES):

1. Must set-up a space for screening that maintains physical distance (6ft) during screening.
2. Must ask the following questions (reinforced through visuals and verbally, such as a poster/paper with icons):
 - a. In the last 14 days, have you had contact with someone who has been sick with COVID-19?
 - b. Have you had a fever in the last week (temperature of 100.4°F/37.8°C or higher)?
 - c. Do you have a cough and/or difficulty breathing?
 - d. Do you have any other signs or symptoms of COVID-19 (fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea)?
3. Should conduct onsite measurement of temperature using thermometer (preferred non-touch thermal scanning thermometer if possible).
 - Fever equals temperature of 100.4°F/37.8°C or higher.
 - If high, may re-test after 5 minutes to ensure temperature is accurate.
4. Must record all names, results and contact information and keep in case needed for contact tracing or reporting (*Template available in supplemental materials*).
 - a. If yes to any questions, participants MUST be isolated from the group (at minimum, kept 6ft apart from others and with mask on), be sent home, and instructed to contact their healthcare provider for evaluation.
 - b. Participants who are found to have COVID-19 symptoms must wait 7 days after symptoms resolve to return to activity OR must provide written proof of physician clearance to Special Olympics to return earlier.
 - c. Participants who test positive for/have COVID-19 must provide written medical clearance before returning to sport and fitness activities.

Throughout the practice/competition remind participants of infection prevention protocols (e.g. facemasks, physical distancing, hygiene, and disinfection/sanitation). Sample signage and reminders available at www.somo.org/returntoplay.